



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of:

Sho MURAKOSHI et al.

Art Unit: 2651

Application No.: 08/990,981

Examiner: Nabil Hindi

Filed: December 15, 1997

Atty. Dkt. No.: 107156-07043

For: COMPUTER FOR A REPRODUCING MEDIUM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 25, 2001

Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the final Office Action dated January 29, 2001, setting a three month shortened statutory time period for reply. Submitted herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time for three-months along with the requisite fee extending the time for response to July 29, 2000. A Request for Continued Examination is also submitted herewith to enter the following remarks and amendments.

In view of the following amendment and remarks, applicant respectfully request the Examiner to reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, and allow all claims pending in the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 15-56 without prejudice or disclaimer.